

HOUSE COMMITTEE

Announcement of Members.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The Chair desires to announce that in connection with the election to the House Committee, as the number of candidates is equal to the number to be elected, the following candidates are declared elected and there will be no election :

Sriyuths—

1. H. K. Sivarudrappa.
2. M. Chikkalingiah.
3. C. H. Lingadevaru.
4. Muddu Ramiah.
5. G. Puttaswamy.
6. G. Papanna.

As regards the privilege motion and also the use of the Phone among other things, I will give my ruling soon after lunch.

PAPERS LAID ON THE TABLE.

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—Sir, as required by Rule 90-B of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in the Mysore Legislative Assembly, I lay on the Table of the House copies of the following three Bills received from the Legislative Council with amendments made by it:

1. The Mysore Ministers Salaries and Allowance (Amendment) Bill, 1953.
2. The Mysore Legislature Salaries (Amendment) Bill, 1953.
3. The Mysore Police (Amendment) Bill, 1953.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM (Jagalur).—What about the privilege motion, Sir?

Mr. SPEAKER.—I told you, I will let you know in the afternoon.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM.—Another point, Sir. Yesterday I submitted that since we have worked continuously for the last 20 days, we may be given a short holiday and Saturday may be declared as a

holiday ; and you were pleased to say that you would let us know definitely today. I request that the Government will take into consideration our long stay here and declare Saturday as a holiday so that we can go home and come back by Monday.

Sri A. G. RAMACHANDRA RAO (Minister for Law and Education).—If the Chair and the House are so inclined, Government is willing that Saturday may be treated as a holiday.

PRIVILEGE MOTION.

Re : AN ARTICLE PUBLISHED IN 'BLITZ' ON 25TH JULY.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY (Sirangapatna).—Sir, under Rule 173 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business, I wish to invite the attention of the Speaker and the House to the article which has been published..

Mr. SPEAKER.—You have given notice of it and I referred to that also when I said that I would give my ruling in the afternoon.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Before the Speaker gives his Ruling, I wanted to say something about it. This is a matter which has to be discussed by the Assembly and then, of course, we have to abide by the ruling given by the Chair. Under Rule 173 whenever a question of privilege arises which concerns a matter which takes place during the Session, it has to be given precedence.

"A motion on a matter of privilege arising during the sitting of the Assembly is notwithstanding anything contained in Rules 41 and 43 entitled to immediate precedence over all other business."

Sir, in the news magazine *Blitz* which is published at Bombay, in its issue dated 25th July 1953 an article under the caption 'LION AND THE HOWLING JACKALS' has appeared. He has referred to certain questions which were put on the floor of this House and he has termed these

questions which were put on the floor of the House and those questions which were permitted by the Hon'ble Speaker to be put as 'silly questions.' Sir, I have also enclosed a copy along with the letter addressed to you yesterday and I wish to refer only to one short para for the benefit of the Members of the House.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have gone through the article. I have got that paper with me.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Yes Sir, this is a matter which has to be discussed by the Assembly and then the Speaker has to give his ruling whether there is a *prima facie* case of breach of privilege or not. Para 2 of this Article reads like this :

“ However, those who presume the name of the Opposition in the Mysore Legislative Assembly apparently forgot all canons of decency and democracy when they heckled Mr. Hanumanthaiya with a number of silly questions concerning Editor Karanjia's stay at Ooty and Mysore as a State guest.”

And while concluding, he has called these members who put questions as howling Jackals.

Mr. SPEAKER.—You are discussing the merits of the case. You have handed over the notice of the motion. It is for me to decide whether there is any *prima facie* case of breach of privilege or not.

Sri N. C. NAGAI AH REDDY (Goribidnur).—No, I want to know under what authority you say like this Mr. Speaker.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I will give my authority, Sri Nagaiah Reddy.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—My humble submission to the Speaker was that this is a matter on which discussion should be allowed in the House and then, of course, whatever the ruling of the Chair, it is the duty, bounden duty of all of us, to obey that ruling.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I want to know under what sub-rule you find that

this must be discussed in the House. Please point out under Rule 173.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Sir, I was making a motion.

Mr. SPEAKER.—You can move the motion provided the Chair allows you to do so.

Sri R. ANANTARAMAN (Chamarajpet).—At least a *prima facie* case must be made out, Mr. Speaker.

Mr. SPEAKER.—I have not given my ruling. I do not know why an Hon'ble Member of this August Body should think otherwise.

Sri N. C. NAGAI AH REDDY.—Before you give your ruling, you must allow it to be discussed in the Assembly.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Where is it stated that you have a right to discuss, please?

Sri N. C. NAGAI AH REDDY.—It concerns the House and I have a right to discuss the matter.

Mr. SPEAKER.—We will see about it after lunch.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I request the indulgence of the Chair.

Mr. SPEAKER.—No, not now. I have not allowed you to speak.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Sir, under 173 (2) it has to take precedence over other business.

Mr. SPEAKER.—You have already said so much. I will go through it carefully and give my ruling in the afternoon.

We will now take up the Andhra State Bill.

ANDHRA STATE BILL, 1953.

CLAUSES.

Sri J. MOHAMED IMAM (Jagalur).—Sir, before proceeding further, I want one clarification from the Government. It was announced in this morning's radio that the Government of India propose to introduce a new Bill called the Thungabhadra Bill. Have the Government any information about this?